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 $\omega$ Cleaning and Sealing a Well **Borehole Portion for Formation** 

Evaluation"

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sirs:

Prior to any substantive action on the application, please amend the application as follows. Amendments to the specification starts on page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the claims start on page 4 of this document.